

(e) Tax exemption. Any and all real and personal property (both tangible and intangible) and any and all right, title and interest [therein] IN THEM, gross receipts, gross or net income, purchases, sales, franchises, licenses, operations, activities and functions, owned, or controlled or received, or made, or performed or carried on, by the authority shall be and remain totally exempt from all taxes, assessments, charges and fees of every kind, imposed, levied or made by the State of Maryland, any OF ITS political [subdivision thereof] SUBDIVISIONS, or any agency or instrumentality of any of them.

(f) Jurisdiction. The public transportation system established under this section shall be under the jurisdiction of the County Commissioners [of Washington County] and not under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission of Maryland. (1971, ch. 618; 1973, ch. 479, sec. 8-41(e); 1973, ch. 846, sec. 8-41(e) (See note (12)); 1977, ch. 598, sec. 8-41(f).)

#### County Administrator

#### 8-42. County Administrator.

(a) Appointment; salary; qualifications; bond. The County Commissioners of Washington County [are hereby authorized and directed to] SHALL appoint a County Administrator at a salary [to be fixed] SET by the Commissioners. [He] THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR shall be selected on the basis of his executive and administrative abilities, including his knowledge and experience in public administration and public affairs. He shall execute a surety bond in favor of the [Board of] County Commissioners[,] in [such] THE amount and with [such] THE corporate surety [as] prescribed by the [Board] COMMISSIONERS and approved by the county attorney, with the condition that he shall execute his duties well and faithfully as required by law[; and the]. THE premium for the bond shall be paid from county funds.

(b) General responsibility. (1) The administrator shall devote his full time to the work of the county and he shall be responsible to the [Board of] County Commissioners for the proper administration of its affairs.

(2) [He] THE ADMINISTRATOR shall [at all times] be held responsible for the proper discharge of his duties, but may delegate to appropriate officers and employees [such] authority [as he deems] necessary to carry out the duties of his office.

(c) Powers and duties. The County Administrator has the following powers and duties:

(1) To be chief administrative officer of the county and under the general supervision and control of the [Board of] County Commissioners to be responsible for and handle the day-to-day operations of the county government, all as more particularly described in this section.